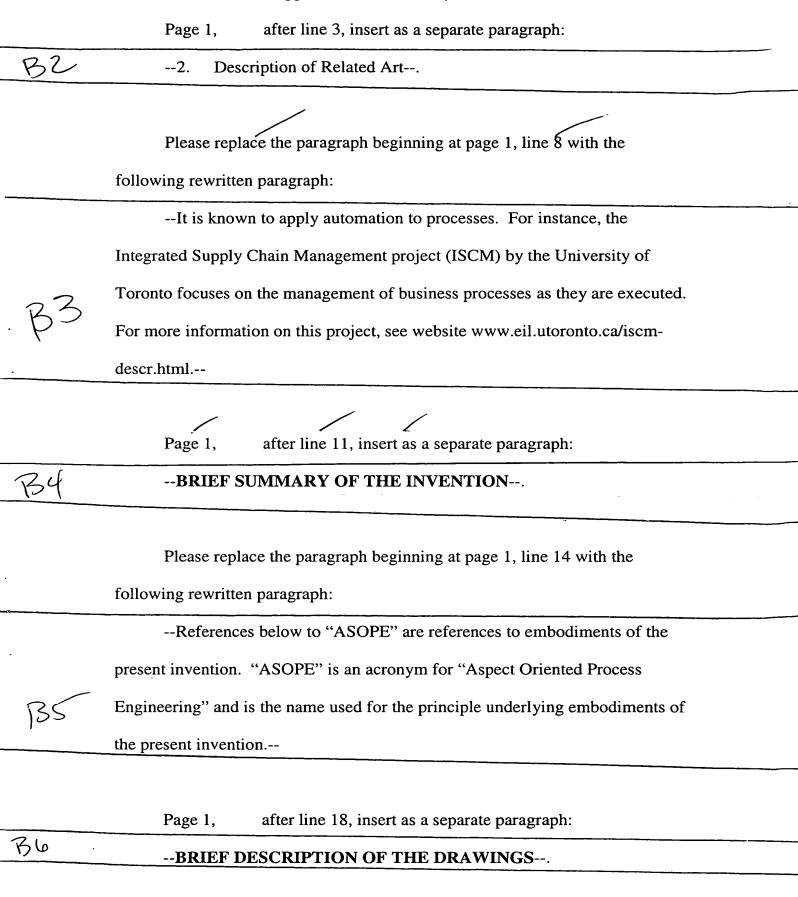
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Page 2, after line 13, insert as a separate paragraph:

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-- DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF EXEMPLARY

EMBODIMENTS OF THE INVENTION--.

Please replace the paragraph beginning at page 2, line 21 with the following rewritten paragraph:

--ASOPE decomposes processes into two elements, Generic Process
Patterns (GPPs) which are the fundamental sequences of steps which are used
to achieve a goal, and Process Aspects which contain context specific process
steps together with instructions for their composition with a particular GPP. In
this way it is possible to use ASOPE to synthesise wholly new processes that
achieve a goal but, with respect to one another, utilise extra or alternative
process steps for example to achieve unrelated sub-goals or prevent the system
from reaching a particular state. An example of a GPP would be a plan to
install customer premises equipment. Process Aspect examples would be
access checks for premises related to an individual, or checking that the site
could support physical diversity for a corporate working in the finance
industry. GPPs are decontextualised, generalised plans and Process Aspects
provide context, resource and participant dependent exceptions and
extensions.--

Please delete the paragraph beginning at page 18, line 1 in its entirety and substitute in its place the following paragraph:

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--What is claimed is:--.